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Rhode Island PreKindergarten Demonstration Project 2010-11 Application

In 2008, the R.I. General Assembly, recognizing the need to adequately prepare all children to succeed in school, called for the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (RIDE) to explore ways to provide children with access to publicly funded, high-quality prekindergarten (PreK) education programs.

With advice from many early-childhood stakeholders, RIDE designed and developed the R.I. PreK Demonstration Project, which began operation in the fall of 2009. The project will enter its second year in 2010-11. One purpose of the project is to gather information on whether participation in a PreK program improves educational outcomes. The PreK Demonstration Project sites are:

Beautiful Beginnings

700 Elmwood Ave. Providence, RI 02907 785-8485

Ready to Learn Providence @CCRI

1 Hilton St. Providence, RI 02905 490-9960 (Applications available at 945 Westminster St.)

Highlander Charter School/Mariposa Center

20 Miner St. Providence, RI 02905 466-4270 (Mariposa Center)

Progreso Latino

626 Broad St. Central Falls, RI 02863 728-5920

Woonsocket Head Start

204 Warwick St. Woonsocket, RI 02895 769-1850

Westbay Children's Center

22 Astral St. Warwick, RI 02888 463-6620

Imagine Preschool @ CCRI

400 East Ave. Warwick, RI 02886 825-1152

Telephone (401)222-4600 **Fax** (401)222-6178 **TTY** 800-745-5555 **Voice** 800-745-6575

To be eligible for enrollment, children <u>must</u>:

- turn 4 years of age by September 1, 2010; and
- live in the community in which the PreK program is located.

Children will be selected for enrollment through a state-run lottery. Each classroom will enroll 18 children. Children will be assigned to classrooms in their community of residence.

For children selected to participate in Providence and Warwick, every effort will be made to accommodate preferences for specific sites.

The application process has two steps:

FIRST: Complete the application.

Applications will be collected at your child's assessment appointment.

SECOND: Call to schedule your child's initial assessment.

The National Institute for Early Education Research (NIEER) is evaluating the R.I. PreK Demonstration Project. Please call (401) 490-9960 during the times listed below to <u>schedule</u> your child's assessment. Ask for the "PreK Lottery Hotline". Access to scheduling is available <u>9am-4pm</u> on these dates:

June 16-18 July 1-2 June 22-25 July 6-9 June 29 July 12-13

Assistance is available in both English and Spanish.

The child assessments will be <u>conducted</u> in each community during the week of July 13-16.

Programming is contingent on the availability of funding.

RIDE will conduct the lottery in July and will notify selected children and families by phone.

Rhode Island PreKindergarten Demonstration Program 2010-11 APPLICATION

CHILD'S FULL NAME:
Last Name:
First Name:
Middle Name:
SEX: O Male O Female
DATE OF BIRTH:
CHILD'S HOME ADDRESS:
Street Address/Apt. #
City, State, Zip
TELEPHONE:
I attest that the information provided above is correct and I understand that filing documents containing false information with the government is illegal. (RIGL 11-18-1) Signature
CHILD'S LANGUAGE: What is your child's primary language?
○ English ○ Spanish ○ Portuguese ○ Khmer
Other
CHILD'S 2010-11 ANTICIPATED ENROLLMENT IF <u>NOT</u> SELECTED FOR PREK DEMONSTRATION PROJECT ENROLLMENT:
○ Child Care/Preschool ○ Head Start ○ Public School ○ Family Child Care
No formal program

PARENT/PERSON ACTING AS PARENT APPLYING FOR CHILD:
Parent #1
Last Name:
First Name:
Street Address/Apt. #
City, State, Zip
Telephone:
Parent #2
Last Name:
First Name:
Street Address/Apt. #
City, State, Zip
Telephone:
HIGHEST LEVEL OF EDUCATION COMPLETED:
Please Choose One:
○ Up to 12 th Grade ○ High School Graduate ○ Some College
4 year College Graduate
HOUSEHOLD INCOME: What is the number of people in your household?
ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME:
○ \$15,000 or below ○ \$15,001-\$20,000 ○ \$20,001-\$25,000
<pre>\$25,001 - \$30,000</pre> \$30,001-\$35,000 \$35,001-\$40,000
○ \$40,001 -\$45,000 ○ \$45,001-\$50,000 ○ \$50,001-60,000
○ \$60,001-\$70,000 ○ \$70,001 and above